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## DIGEST

Martiny (SB 81)

<u>Present law</u> regarding statewide concealed handgun permits, prohibits the carrying, and a permit from authorizing the carrying, of a firearm into a "school firearm-free zone" which is defined as an area inclusive of any school campus and within 1000 feet of any such school campus and within a school bus.

<u>Proposed law</u> changes the <u>present law</u> prohibition to prohibit the carrying, or the permit from authorizing the carrying, of a firearm into any school, school campus or school bus.

<u>Present law</u> criminalizes the carrying of a firearm in a school firearm-free zone.

<u>Present law</u> provides an exception from the criminal statute for all of the following:

- (1) A federal, state, or local law enforcement officer in the performance of his official duties.
- (2) A school official or employee acting during the normal course of his employment or a student acting under direction of such school official or employee.
- (3) A person having written permission of the principal.
- (4) The possession of firearm occurring within 1000 feet of school property and entirely on private property, or entirely within a private residence, or in accordance with a concealed handgun permit for special officers or a local concealed handgun permit.
- (5) Any constitutionally protected activity which cannot be regulated by the state, such as a firearm contained entirely within a motor vehicle.
- (6) Any student carrying a firearm to or from a class, in which he is duly enrolled, that requires the use of the firearm in the class.
- (7) A student enrolled or participating in an activity requiring the use of a firearm including but not limited to any ROTC function under the authorization of a university.
- (8) A student who possesses a firearm in this dormitory room or while going to or from his vehicle or any other person with permission of the administration.

<u>Proposed law</u> adds an exception for statewide concealed handgun permittees in accordance with the permit.

<u>Present law</u> provides a list of qualifications a citizen must meet in order to qualify for a concealed handgun permit. One such qualification is that the citizen shall not be convicted of, have entered a plea of guilty or nolo contendere to, or not be charged under indictment, or a bill of information for any crime of violence or any crime punishable by imprisonment for a term of one year or more.

<u>Proposed law</u> changes <u>present law</u> qualification <u>from</u> a crime punishable by imprisonment for a term of one year or more <u>to</u> a felony offense punishable by imprisonment for a term of greater than one year.

Effective August 15, 2010.

(Amends R.S. 14:95.2(C)(4) and R.S. 40:1379.3(C)(10) and (N)(11))

## Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

## Senate Floor Amendments to engrossed bill.

1. Changes <u>present law</u> listing of the type of crime a citizen shall not be guilty of, in order to qualify for a concealed handgun permit, <u>from</u> a crime punishable by imprisonment for a term of one year or more <u>to</u> a felony offense punishable by imprisonment for a term of greater than one year.